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Parks and Recreation Department to Host Jungle Book Kids Performance

(March 9, 2016) **East Hartford, CT** –Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc and the Parks and Recreation Department are proud to announce that Performing Arts Programs/Lamb Theatricals, in association with Lamb's Playhouse will be presenting "The Jungle Book Kids," a musical developed from the smash Disney hit "The Jungle Book," featuring actors aged 7-14. The musical will feature a run at the East Hartford Community Cultural Center on March 17 and 18 at 7 p.m. and March 19 at 1 p.m.

"The Jungle Book Kids," which is based on the screenplay by Larry Clemmons and the novel by Rudyard Kipling, tells the story of Mowgli, the man-cub, who is raised by wolves. Shere Kahn, the tiger and King of the Jungle, decides that Mowgli is no longer welcome in the jungle, so Bagheera, the Panther, plans to guide Mowgli to safety.

Performing Arts Programs/Lamb Theatricals, the producer of the musical, was founded in East Hartford in 1997 at the EHCCC. Founder Michael Lamb was an East Hartford resident for almost a decade, as an artist in residence at the Center Studios in the EHCCC. The program's goal has always been to develop and cultivate the talents of many children in the area. Drawing on that credo, the musical draws local talent, with East Hartford and several communities east-of-the-river represented in the 25 cast members.

Tickets for the performance will be sold at the door and will not be available in advance. The price of tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Patrons that are East Hartford residents will receive a discounted price (with proof of residency), with adult ticket prices at \$8 and \$3 for children 12 and under.

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